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PLEASE PASS TO CODEL RYAN
SUBJECT: CODEL RYAN

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1. IN BRIEF 28 HOUR VISIT, CODEL CONFERRED WITH KEY DANISH ENERGY EXPERTS AND TOURED TWO FACILITIES CONCERNED WITH THE CONSERVATION OF ENERGY.
2. REPRESENTATIVE RYAN MET WITH MR. B. GERHARD JENSEN, CHAIRMAN, COMMITTEE FOR ENERGY CONSERVATION, MINISTRY OF COMMERCE. MR. GERHARD JENSEN DISCUSSED DENMARK'S CURRENT ENERGY SITUATION AND THE PLANS FOR DEVELOPING NEW ENERGY SOURCES IN THE NEXT 25 YEARS.
3. MR. GERHARD JENSEN ARRANGED FOR THE CODEL TO VISIT THE AMAGER REFUSE INCINERATOR PLANT WHICH PROVIDES THE POWER TO HEAT AND WATER SUPPLIED TO THE 600,000 INHABITANTS OF COPENHAGEN. THE PLANT'S MANAGER, JORGEN HILDEBRAND, AND HIS ASSISTANT, MR. JOHN RICHTER, BRIEFED THE GROUP AT THE FACILITY.
4. THE CODEL VISITED THE INVENTION INCENTIVE OFFICE WHERE THE DIRECTOR, MR. B. WESTPHAL ERIKSEN, EXPLAINED DENMARK'S FLEXIBLE SYSTEM FOR AIDING INVENTORS. AN INVENTOR DEMONSTRATED HIS ULTRASONIC SCANNING DEVICE WHICH PROMISES TO BE A SIGNIFICANT ADVANCE FOR MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY.

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5. THE CODEL'S VISIT COINCIDED WITH THAT OF USIS VOLSPEAKER US ENERGY EXPERT DR. M. KING HUBBERT. THE CONGRESSMEN WERE ESPECIALLY INTERESTED IN DR. HUBBERT'S DISCUSSION OF THE DISPOSAL OF NUCLEAR WASTES AND CONSIDERED ASKING DR. HUBBERT TO TESTIFY BEFORE THEIR SUBCOMMITTEE.
6. AT DENMARK'S TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY, THE CODEL MET FIRST WITH

THE PRESIDENT, MR. FLEMMING WOLDBYE, WHO BRIEFED THEM ON UNIVERSITY RESEARCH INITIATIVES IN ENERGY CONSERVATION. PROFESSOR VAGN KORSGAARD, DENMARK'S LEADING SOLAR ENERGY EXPERT, THEN DESCRIBED THE WORK BEING DONE IN SOLAR ENERGY AND IN DEVELOPING NEW METHODS OF THERMAL INSULATION. PROFESSOR KORSGAARD ALSO ESCORTED THE CODEL THROUGH THE ZERO ENERGY HOUSE.

7. STAFF AIDES NORMAN CORNISH AND DAVID SCHUENKE ALSO MET WITH MR. IYVING MOE, DEPUTY CHIEF OF SECTION, ENERGY POLICY PLANNING, MINISTRY OF COMMERCE; MR. NIELS O. GRAM, PROGRAM DIRECTOR, ENERGY POLICY INFORMATION, MINISTRY OF COMMERCE; AND MR. PETER OLESEN, COUNSEL, DANISH ENERGY ADMINISTRATION.

8. WITHOUT EXCEPTION THE DANES WERE HOSPITABLE AND ACCOMMODATING, THE BRIEFINGS INFORMATIVE. CONGRESSMEN RYAN AND HIGHTOWER EXPRESSED THEIR SATISFACTION WITH THE USEFULNESS OF THEIR DANISH MEETINGS.

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